



Oklahoma Crop Weather

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Weekly Summary for May 28-Jun 3

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Harvest Progressed Despite Storms

The month of May ended last week as the fifth warmest and fourth driest on record, according to Oklahoma Mesonet data. June began with an unseasonably cool day, setting a new record low temperature for June 1st in Tulsa at 50 degrees, according to the National Weather Service. A few severe thunderstorms throughout the week brought an inch of rain on average for the state. All Mesonet stations recorded some precipitation for the week; the highest total was 4.92 inches at Skiatook, which continued to accumulate into the next week. Hail and high winds were also reported around the state, damaging wheat that was not yet harvested. Wheat was still rated mostly good and harvest was 60 points ahead of the five-year average by the end of the week, while the canola harvest was virtually complete. Topsoil moisture conditions improved slightly with 45 percent rated adequate and 40 percent rated short. Subsoil moisture was rated 36 percent adequate and 46 percent short. There were 5.7 days suitable for field work.

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

Week Ending Sunday, June 3, 2012

Moisture Rating	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago
Topsoil			
Very Short	14	14	31
Short	40	46	32
Adequate	45	40	35
Surplus	1	0	2
Subsoil			
Very Short	18	19	40
Short	46	43	32
Adequate	36	38	27
Surplus	0	0	1

Small Grains: Wheat harvest made significant progress, despite slowing down for wet fields. Hail and wind damage was reported, but conditions continued to be rated mostly good. The **wheat** harvest was 73 percent complete by Sunday, 60 points ahead of the five-year average. The **canola** harvest was virtually complete by the end of the week. **Rye** harvest was 49 percent complete, 43 points ahead of normal. **Oat** heading was 98 percent complete and 89 percent was in the soft dough stage by Sunday. The oat harvest was also well ahead of normal, with 48 percent harvested by week's end.

Row Crops: Planting on single-cropped acreage was winding down. Conditions of most emerging row crops were rated mostly good, while cotton was rated good to fair. **Sorghum** seedbed preparation was 96 percent complete by Sunday. Sorghum planting was 72 percent complete, and 47 percent had emerged by the end of the week, 20 points ahead of normal. **Soybean** seedbed preparation was 93 percent complete by week's end. Soybean planting was 66 percent complete, and 55 percent had emerged by Sunday. **Peanut** planting was 95 percent complete, and 72 percent of the peanut crop had emerged by the end of the week. **Cotton** seedbed preparation was 94 percent complete. Cotton planting was 63 percent complete and half of the crop was emerged by Sunday.

The watermelon crop had 72 percent of plants running vines by week's end and 15 percent was setting fruit.

Hay: Cutting of hay was well ahead of normal, although condition ratings continued to decline; alfalfa hay was rated mostly good and other hay was rated good to fair. A second cutting of **alfalfa** was 55 percent complete by the end of the week, 37 points ahead of normal. A first cutting of **other hay** was 76 percent complete, 33 points ahead of the five-year average.

Pasture and Livestock: Pasture and range conditions were rated mostly good to fair. Condition ratings worsened slightly as the long-term lack of adequate rainfall continued to impact pasture. Livestock conditions continued to be rated mostly good. Prices for feeder steers less than 800 pounds averaged \$156 per cwt. Prices for heifers less than 800 pounds averaged \$145 per cwt.

Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending Sunday, June 3, 2012

Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	1	6	21	52	20
Rye	2	3	15	58	22
Oats	1	5	24	52	18
Corn	0	0	26	68	6
Cotton	0	7	42	46	5
Peanuts	0	0	10	77	13
Sorghum	0	4	31	55	10
Soybeans	0	2	38	56	4
Alfalfa Hay	1	4	34	54	7
Other Hay	2	6	34	46	12
Livestock	0	4	28	59	9
Pasture and Range	5	10	35	45	5

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Crop Progress by Percent <i>For Week Ending Sunday, June 3, 2012</i>					
Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Harvested	73	41	36	13
Canola	Harvested	97	85	41	N/A
Rye	Harvested	49	31	17	6
Oats	Headed	98	94	92	88
	Soft Dough	89	76	63	61
	Harvested	48	28	N/A	N/A
Corn	Emerged	98	90	90	92
	Silking	8	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sorghum	Seedbed Prepared	96	93	92	88
	Planted	72	52	60	49
	Emerged	47	25	23	27
Soybeans	Seedbed Prepared	93	89	83	82
	Planted	66	57	50	49
	Emerged	55	42	30	31
Peanuts	Planted	95	85	81	88
	Emerged	72	50	52	65
Cotton	Seedbed Prepared	94	90	100	100
	Planted	63	50	49	62
	Emerged	50	32	N/A	N/A
Alfalfa Hay	2nd Cutting	55	24	13	18
Other Hay	1st Cutting	76	72	37	43
Watermelons	Running	72	60	55	49
	Setting Fruit	15	5	N/A	N/A

Weather for Week Ending June 3, 2012:

Temperatures ranged from 39 degrees at Kenton on Monday, May 28th, to 103 degrees at Erick on Tuesday, May 29th and at Tipton on Sunday, June 3rd. Precipitation ranged from 0.49 of an inch in the Southwest district to 2.12 inches in the Northeast district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 64 degrees at Lahoma on Friday, June 1st, to 90 degrees at Clayton on Tuesday, May 29th.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data <i>Week Ending Sunday, June 3, 2012</i>							
District	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	Current Week	March 1, 2012 to June 3, 2012		
					Total	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Panhandle	88	54	71	0.60	5.58	-1.56	78
West Central	90	59	74	0.61	7.66	-2.63	74
Southwest	92	62	76	0.49	9.71	-0.60	94
North Central	85	57	71	1.47	10.75	0.00	100
Central	85	59	72	1.38	11.83	-1.03	92
South Central	88	62	75	1.07	11.15	-2.23	83
Northeast	84	59	72	2.12	15.03	1.42	110
East Central	86	61	73	0.87	10.92	-3.88	74
Southeast	89	62	75	0.53	12.39	-3.41	78

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